(e) if not, the reasons for ignoring such demands made by social activists and safety forums?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) to (e) No, Sir. However, Ministry on its own as well as in consideration of suggestions from various quarters, has already taken initiative for not to issue/renew liquor licenses to shops located on National Highways by the State/Union Territory Governments, being a traffic hazard. Recently, National Road Safety Council (NRSC) in its meeting held on 15th January, 2004, unanimously agreed that licenses for liquor vends should not be given along National Highways.

Conversion of State roads in Uttar Pradesh into NHs

2517. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to convert the State roads in Uttar Pradesh into National Highways; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and by when the work is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

Disaster Management System for Delhi

2518. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that around 50 per cent of buildings in the capital city Delhi are prone to disaster;

(b) whether Delhi Government has set up some Disaster Management System to take care of such eventualities;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action plan of Government to ensure safety of the inmates residing in mushrooming multistoreyed unauthorised constructions in the capital?